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QUOTE

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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: SENV, ESCAP, ECWA, PLO

SUBJECT: VANCOUVER CONFERENCE -- POSSIBILITY THAT ISRAELI REP
WILL BE BARRED FROM ATTENDING

STATE'S 147095 AND USUN 3117

1. SYG WALDHEIM EXPRESSED VIEW THAT UPCOMING VANCOUVER HABITAT
CONF WLD REFUSE TO BAR ISRAEL REP FROM ATTENDING MTG.
WALDHEIM TOLD AMB SCALI THIS WAS HIS CONFIDENTIAL
ASSESSMENT AFTER PERSONALLY TALKING TO SYG'S OF ESCAP
AND ECWA WHO WERE IN NY AT PRESENT. WALDHEIM SAID
IN KEEPING WITH HIS PROJISE TO SCALI, HE URGENTLY
EISCUSSEE WITH THEM RECOMMENDATIONS BY TEHRAN GROUP
RECOMMENDING ISRAEL BE BARRED. WALDHEIM SAID THE
TEHRAN RECOMMENDATIN WAS ONE OF FOUR RECOMMENDATIONS
WHICH WOULD BE FORTHCOMING BEFORE VANCOUVER MTG.
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HE SAIE IT LIKELY PREPARIORY COMMISSION IN

CAIRO WLD PARALLEL TEHRAN RECOMMENDATIONS. BUT HE
EXPRESSED CONFIDENCE THAT BOTH LA AND EUROPEAN
REGIONAL GROUPS WOULD TAKE OPPOSITE STAND, INSISTING
ON ISRAELI ATTENDANCE. THUS, HE BELIEVES TWO
REGIONAL GROUPS WILL VOTE FOR AND TWO AGAINST ISRAELI
ATTENDANCE, MAKING IT LIKELY ONFERENCE WILL
ALLOW ISRAELI PARTICIPATION.

2. SCALI EXPRESSED OPINION THAT WALDHEIM ASSESSMENT
APPEARED TO BE OPTIMISTIC BUT IF CAIRO SESSION VOTES
THE SAME AS TEHRAN MTG DID, IT WLD CREATE BANDWAGON
EFFECT THAT WOULD IMPORTANTLY INFLUENCE OVER-ALL
VOTE AT VANCOUVER REGARDLESS OF WHAT LA AND EUROPEAN
REGIONAL GROUPS RECOMMENDED.

3. WALDHEIM DISAGREED BUT PROMISED TO CONTINUE
MAKING KNOWN HIS OPPOSITION TO BARRING ISRAEL FROM
VANCOUVER MEETING. SCALI EMPHASIZED SERIOUSNESS OF
RESULTS IF ISRAEL REP WERE EXCLUDED. SCALI

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